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Make History on July 7th

On July 7, more than 2 billion people will join together to watch the Live Earth concerts and demonstrate to our leaders that the time has come to solve the climate crisis.

Wherever you are that day, you can be part of the action. At events around the world, we are going to convert the potential energy of Live Earth into a global campaign. In thousands of homes, people will invite their friends and neighbors to watch the concerts and join the movement.

In order to make these parties truly global, I've decided to partner with Avaaz. The 385,000 Avaaz members from every corner of the world, who mobilized to pressure the G8, amazed me. Avaaz's work to give ordinary people around the world a powerful voice in global decision-making is inspiring, and **your organizing around the G8 Summit made a significant difference. Now we have the opportunity to expand on that great effort.**

Will you commit to organize a Live Earth house party on July 7th? The parties will be fun--and they'll make a difference. If you've got a few friends and a TV, you've got everything you need.

http://www.avaaz.org/en/live_earth/lf.php

7.7.07 will be the one opportunity we have to bring millions of new people into our campaign. We cannot let it slip by.

If you host a Live Earth Party, you'll have access to a special video I've made to urge people to take action. Together, I know we can convince everyone attending these parties to get involved. In a few short hours, you and your friends can watch the concert, take action -- and, at the end, upload a photo from your event that will be accessible to others taking part throughout the world. Through these parties, we can reach more people than ever before and build a truly global movement to solve the climate crisis.

Holding a Live Earth party is easy. All you need is a television and a few friends. We will provide you with all the tools you need.

Sign up as a party host by visiting

http://www.avaaz.org/en/live_earth/lf.php

Live Earth will be a unique moment when the uninterrupted and undivided attention of the world will be focused on the climate crisis. **I need your help to make it count.....Al Gore**

GREENWASH

Those of you who are members of the local Midcounties Co-op may have read in the recent member's mailing about their new commitments to combat climate change. Excellent news indeed. However, today in the Old Town Co-op Superstore, I saw on sale: mini patio heaters and a large flat screen plasma TV, both of which waste lots of energy and so directly contribute to climate change. There was also a chest freezer with no energy usage labelling. I have therefore e-mailed the Co-op pointing this out and suggest that they should carefully consider their product lines in relation to their contributions to climate change. If you feel as strongly as me on this topic, send them a message too!

contact@midcounties.coop I must say, I expect better of the Co-op! This kind of blatant hypocrisy is rather like certain other (larger) supermarket chains and their 'greenwash'.....Adrian

CYCLING LESSONS


- Do you feel a bit nervous cycling in town?
- Do you wobble when you try to signal?
- Or did you never learn to cycle?
- Gain more confidence on your bike – any age.
- Contact Gladys Barr 01793 708775 email gladysbarr@swindon-pct.nhs.uk



Upcoming Events

- **June 30th/July 1st Old Town Festival** SCAN's new stall in action, measuring carbon footprints. Come and help or be measured!
- **July 7th Live Earth** Madonna plays for the planet Keep up by going to <http://liveearth.msn.com/community>
- **July 18th SCAN meeting 7.30pm** Friends Meeting House, Eastcott Hill - **speaker to be arranged**
- **Dates for your diary, more details to follow:**
- **September 1st Forest Festival, The Lawns**
- **September 5th SCAN & TUC Meeting on Public Transport**
- **September 15th-30th Climate Friendly Community Fortnight**
- **September 22nd In Town Without My Car**
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